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In re Application of: David R. Milich et al.

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Human Hepatitis B Virus Core Proteins As Vaccine Platforms And

Methods Of Use Thereof

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MS Amendment

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 15, 2005, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group VIII, without traverse. A petition for a one-month extension of time is attached, thereby extending the period for reply until August 15, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following:

amendments to the specification shown on page 2; amendments to the claims reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3; and remarks and arguments beginning on page 8.

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